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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2003 having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on April 12, 2003.

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner made a restriction requirement, under 35 U.S.C. §121, between Group I, Claims 1-18, and Group II, Claims 19 and 20. Applicant elects the Group I claims, Claims 1-18.

In light of the foregoing response, all the outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome. Applicant respectfully submits that this application should now be in condition for allowance and respectfully requests favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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